

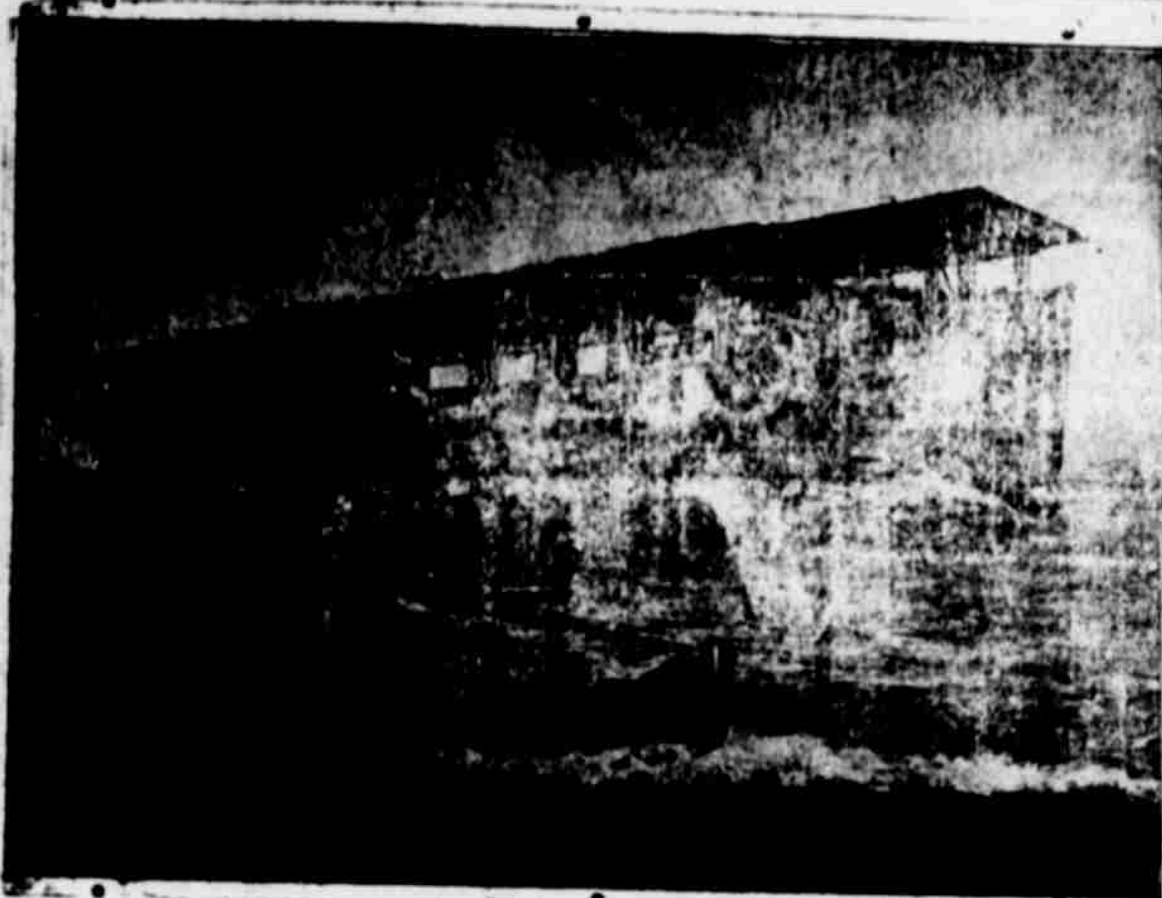
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SEAPLANE CARRIERS OF THE U. S. NAVY

The U. S. Navy now has under construction two seaplane carriers, the "Langley" and the "Meadow". These vessels will be assigned to the fleets and each will carry considerable numbers of planes for training and pursuit purposes.

The "Langley" is the first of the new type of seaplane carrier. It is a converted collier, "Jupiter", with a hull of about 1,000 feet long and a beam of 40 feet. It is equipped with a complete outfit of seaplanes, including a complete outfit of seaplanes, including a complete outfit of seaplanes, including a complete outfit of seaplanes.

paraphernalia used in aviation photography, bombing, etc. The runway or launching platform, will be over five hundred feet long and take in the entire width of the vessel which has a beam of 40 feet. All lookout stations, the bridge and even the smokestacks are under the platform which is erected at a comparative high elevation.

The "Langley" is expected to be completed in time to take part in the winter maneuvers of the Atlantic and Pacific fleets which will take place in January. This will be the first time that ships of this type have taken part in fleet maneuvers though planes have been carried by the battleships and flown from platforms erected over

the big gun turrets. The crew of the "Langley" will be composed of the crew of the collier, with the exception of the engineers. They are now undergoing training at Mitchell Field, L. I., New York. Many of the planes used on the "Langley" will be the latest type instead of seaplanes. In case it is necessary for them to land upon the water, there will be flotation bags on the underside of the planes just above the wheels of the chassis which can be instantly inflated with compressed air. The type used in most instances will be the scout planes of war fame, such as the "Vought" which is similar to the French "Spad" though it is possible for much larger planes to fly from this platform.

We pay market price, cash or trade. Call phone no. 30, and get our prices.

Farmers' Limestone

John C. Reinhold of Adair County used two car loads of ground limestone on his farm in 1918. The county agent tested samples of soil and determined that two tons of limestone to the acre would correct the soil acidity. This fall Mr. Reinhold is attempting to get for himself and neighbors 200 tons more but has not yet been successful. When the county agent called on him early in November he found him thrashing clover with a clover huller, the only one in the county. Mr. Reinhold said that his wheat, sixty acres of it on lime, yielded 42 1/2 bu. to the acre and that the stand of corn was perfect. He used 150 lbs. of commercial fertilizer to the acre. It is his success with limestone, phosphates, and clover, brought about by adopting methods advocated by the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, which has resulted in his neighbors beginning to use similar methods.

In St. Francois county the circuit court has authorized the Farm Bureau to repair the county limestone pulverizer at the Bureau's expense and granted them the privilege of using it for six months free. The trouble has been to get the farmers to use limestone but to get the limestone for the farmers who want to use it. By this method they hope to get the limestone to the soil this winter.

In St. Charles county two crushers now in operation are owned by farmers. They were put in to meet the local demand and have been running more or less steadily and their orders exceed their output.

Beat The High Cost of Machinery

Do you have any machinery out in the weather? Drop the work you had planned for today and put it under cover. This part of the equipment for farming costs more today than ever before in history. This makes necessary greater care if we wish to avoid excessive cost. The machines which we buy today are much more intricate and complicated and thus more damaged by weathering than those of previous years. One-eighth of the total investment saved each year your machinery is properly cared for, is a very conservative estimate.

The added satisfaction and saving in operating tight fitting, smooth-running machinery needs no argument for its proof. No machine can stand out in the weather and then operate efficiently the following season.

Figure up what a machine when would be worth to you. Consult your lumber dealer, county agent, or agricultural college on the design and cost of a machine shed. Do it today and your machinery costs will come back to normal.

Poisoning at Rum Branch Is a Mystery

Advance, Mo., Nov. 19—Mystery shrouds the poisoning yesterday of two young schoolteachers at Rum Branch, Miss Clara Zimmerman, 20, and Miss Helen Walker, 19, who became seriously ill shortly after returning to Rum Branch yesterday afternoon from this city and were found to be suffering from strychnine poisoning. Although both victims were in a serious condition last night, they are reported to be out of danger today.

The young women, both of whom are members of the teaching staff at the Rum Branch school, were at the home of Miss Zimmerman's parents, at Rum Branch, yesterday afternoon after school hours they drove to Advance. According

to the story of the girls, they ate nothing while here, but purchased some chocolate candy and some apples, which they partly consumed on the way home.

They reached Rum Branch about 5:30 p.m. and dinner was served in the Zimmerman home shortly after their arrival. After being seated at the table and before they had partaken of any food, both of the young women became violently ill. The symptoms were the same, both suffering from convulsions, affecting the face and limbs.

Dr. J. O. Reynolds of this city was summoned and he diagnosed the illness of the young women as a condition resulting from strychnine poisoning. Dr. J. W. Berry, of Cape Girardeau, called in consultation, concurred in the diagnoses of Dr. Reynolds. No trace of poison was found and no evidence as to its possible source has been unearthed. It is believed that the victims will be entirely recovered within a week. Miss Walker is the daughter of J. M. Walker, a farmer residing near here.

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ness on the N. J. Wicecarver place for Judge J. A. Taylor. John Blanken purchased a fine Holstein male calf near Lutesville recently.

H. Blanken made 512 gallons of sorghum this season. Doc Proffer of near Hickory Grove transported his car to Marble Hill last Thursday.

Burrett Wiseman of near Snider's made a trip to Lutesville recently.

Meeks, Howard and Summers are sleeping in Marble Hill Thursday.

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Jenny Lind Quartet



This splendid singing Girls Quartet is, but they will wear Swedish costumes, on our local Lyceum stage and they will sing a number of songs. These costumes will be as good as the pieces and each will carry considerable numbers of songs for singing and pursuit purposes.

At 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 15, 7:30 p.m. Next tickets on sale at all the banks at \$1.50. This is the next price the war tax is included. There are four more big shows and it will save you money to buy your season tickets now, as this will probably be your last chance.

C. F. Hopkins Dept. Store

Is giving greater values than ever before. A glance at the big circulars now gone out, and our last week's front page add in the Press is enough to convince you that you should send your mail order here instead of sending them to the mail order houses in the large cities.

- Heaviest wt. flannelettes . . . 22
- 50s. gingham, now . . . 22
- Best grade silks now . . . \$1.75
- 24-00 new wool blankets, size 60x74 in., now . . . \$2.38
- 500 Comforters . . . \$2.98
- Men's heavy fleeced and heavy ribbed union suits . . . \$9.98

This store has a wonderful line of toys. Santa will be here all day, Dec. 24, don't fail to come in and see him. He has something

useful for every member of the family.

A Big Day at Cane Creek

The Zalma Circuit had been without a pastor for the last two years so the M. E. S. Conference, which met at Poplar Bluff in September decided to send Rev. Billy Barks as he is familiarly known to most of the people of this community, so needs no introduction.

When he came to the work, he found most of the churches in a low state of condition, both spiritually and financially.

Allen Grocery

We want your trade. To prove it we are offering the following bargains: Michigan navy beans, 12 pounds for \$1.00. Whole head rice, best quality, 7 pounds for \$1.00. Lutz's glass soap, 6 cakes, 25c. Any other laundry soap, 3 cakes for . . . 25c. 20 oz. quart cup baking powder . . . 20c. 12 oz. Veribest salad dressing . . . 25c. Dried peaches and prunes at bottom price. 6 oranges . . . 25c. We have a full line of Christmas candies, cigars, fruits and nuts. See our Christmas toys before you buy. We have the best assortment of dolls in town for the money. All kinds of games and books for children. Bring us your eggs and butter.